

COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC General Military Information

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1. Beginning 3 p. m. on 10 March, a train of 10 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars was loaded with troops, 4 rocket launchers, 2 ZIS-3 76.2-mm field guns and 16 trucks.

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at the Doeberitz (N 53/Z 65) railroad station. The vehicles came from the area of Elsthal. (1) A column of trucks coming from the troop training grounds passed through Dallgow and proceeded toward the Adler Kaserne, Olympisches Dorf, at 3 p. m. Each truck was occupied by about 15 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and four of the trucks towed mortars, probably of 120-mm caliber. The following

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2. On 15 March, the soda water factory in Oranienburg was ordered to supply the summer camp in Kannenberg with soda water starting on 15 April. A hundred hectoliters are to be delivered on 15 April. (3)

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4. Four T-34 tanks, and truck were loaded in the Vogelsang railroad station on 20 March, and 7 T-34 tanks on 21 March. Trucks stood on the ramp. (5)

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5. A convoy of 8 trucks, including [redacted] occupied to capacity by troops, 10 half-track armored personnel carriers, each towing a 100-mm AT gun and mounting an AA machine gun, 3 trucks, including [redacted] each towing a ZIS-3 76.2-mm field gun and 5 trucks, including [redacted] each towing a 57-mm AT gun, were seen in Brandenburg (N 53/K 23), coming from the direction of Rathenow on 17 March. Two trucks had a radio set with a rod antenna. The sets were each operated by one man with headphones. The convoy was followed by T-34/85 tanks [redacted] (6) 25X1
6. Nine new trucks and trucks [redacted] coming from the railroad station were seen entering the Maerkisches Elektrizitaetswerk in Oberswalde (N 53/V 08) on 18 March. Thirty-five new trucks were unloaded at the station on 18 March and 40 on 21 March. They were not seen leaving the station. Trucks [redacted] were seen at the station on 21 March. (7) 25X1
7. A train carrying 6 T-34 tanks [redacted] SU-249 SP guns [redacted] and about 60 trucks, [redacted] was seen standing at the Doeberitz railroad station ready for departure at 2:30 p. m. on 21 March. [redacted] (8) 25X1
8. Five T-34 tanks and 5 trucks, including [redacted] were seen driving from Strelitzer Strasse to the Neustrelitz (N 54/U 54) railroad station to be loaded there on 21 March. (9) 25X1

[redacted] Comments. 25X1

- (3) This information indicates that the troop training grounds in Templin will be occupied in April as in 1951. [redacted] 25X1
- (4) This information confirms that, prior to mid-March, the troop training grounds in Templin were occupied only by detachments quartered there for short-term practices. [redacted] Lieutenant Colonel Zemyrnov (fnu) is known as administrative officer of a tank unit in Oranienburg. 25X1

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- (8) [redacted] this unit [redacted]
[redacted] belongs to the 1st Mecz Div, was entrained.
(9) [redacted] a unit of the 1st Mecz Div.

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The presence in Neustrelitz of units of the division possibly accounts for the observation of several trains of the division during the period from 10 to 21 March 1952. One train was seen passing through Oranienburg in the direction of Lowenberg on 16 March 1952. [redacted]
It is conceivable that units of the division participated in a field exercise in the area of Lychen-Rutenberg. [redacted]

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